## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 259 By Beavers

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Blake Tankersley, 2001 Valedictorian of Oakland High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Blake Tankersley is one such exceptional student who was named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Oakland High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Blake has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, In his remarkable high school career, Blake Tankersley has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; he attended the prestigious Governor's School for the Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Blake's energy and considerable talent find outlet through his participation in Karate and the Band; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tankersley's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Blake's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Gary and Kathy Tankersley, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Blake Tankersley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Oakland High School Valedictorian, Blake Tankersley, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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